



MASTER OF HOUNDS HUNT DIRECTOR CHECKLIST

It is mandatory to read this checklist out loud prior to calling casts.

Effective January 1, 2023

1. This event is being held using the: *(choose one)*
 - Master of Hounds Format
 - Hunt Director Format
2. All casts will hunt for _____ minutes (60 or 90).
3. The deadline to return scorecards is _____.
4. A judge has been assigned to each cast. They are in charge of the cast and are responsible for scoring all situations.
5. If there is a question in the field; it is the handler's responsibility to follow the proper procedures and request a cast vote. It takes a majority vote to overrule the hunting judge's decision. If a handler is still not satisfied, then they must ask for a question mark to be placed on the scorecard. If these procedures are not followed, then the question cannot be considered.
6. Unsportsmanlike conduct is not tolerated. Any such conduct will be reported to UKC.

Note to Event Official:

**Telemetry rules are provided on the back side.
Post them or make them available for review, as needed.**

TELEMETRY RULES

Effective January 1, 2017 for UKC Licensed Hunting Beagle Field Trials.

- 1. UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES SHALL TELEMETRY BE USED TO DETERMINE THE SCORING OF ANY DOG(S).**
2. If by way of telemetry a handler deems dog to be in danger, per an item outlined in Rule 7, they may ask for a cast vote to call time out. If a majority is not reached the handler may withdraw then handle the dog due to safety concerns.
3. At no time may a handler demand the cast walk in the direction of a hound that has not been heard opening. The judge, or majority of the cast when hunting judge is used, may agree to walk in that direction.
4. When considering the use of telemetry during the hunt the handler may not interfere with any handler's ability to listen for their hound. This to be rigidly enforced. Handlers not adhering after being warned of such by the judge; shall result in their dog being scratched from the cast.
5. A Master of Hounds/Panel may not consider any debate that is based on telemetry use.

General Information

- The handheld of locating (tracking) only systems may be carried and used during the hunt.
- A dog must be heard opening before a strike call may be accepted, regardless of any telemetry system alerts or information.
- Any handheld device capable of both locating (tracking) and controlling (stimulating or toning) may not be carried by the handler during hunt time. The handheld must be left in the vehicle. However, the handheld may be used during time out situations during the hunt for locating purposes only.
- The handheld of controlling only (stimulating or toning) systems must be left in vehicle and may not be used by handler or spectators until dog wearing device is scratched and all other dogs are recovered for re-casting.

Controlling device rule violations may result in suspension.

Master of Hounds/Hunt Director Checklist is provided on the reverse side off this form.